

Parks and Recreation Core Service Programs and Historical Comparison

Youth Programs

	Lee County	2009-2011 Fort Myers Beach Parks and Recreation	2012-Present Fort Myers Beach Parks and Recreation
<p>Summer Camp:</p> <p>A summer program provided for up to 65 children ages 6 to 12 on weekdays from 7:30am - 6pm for 8-10 weeks depending upon the length of Lee County's School Summer break. Summer Camp Consists of themed weeks with activities and one field trip per week.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Youth Programmer, FT lead Counselor, 4 FT Counselors.</p> <p>During camp hours, the county closes its Rec Centers to the general public. At Bay Oaks, the senior program moved to the chapel by the sea for entire summer. During the summer the gym was open in the evenings and on Saturdays.</p> <p>Cost was \$55 a week per child.</p> <p>For Trips, the County was able to use their own school buses, making these outings more affordable.</p> <p>Sponsorships for children who could not afford camp were provided by Lee County Government after Parents/Guardians applied for assistance.</p> <p>During the 2009 Summer Camp, The County Brought in free Lunches for Children delivered to Bay Oaks each day.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Coordinator, seasonal FT lead Counselor, seasonal 4 FT Counselors.</p> <p>The recreation center (Gymnasium and weight room) remained open to the public during camp hours. The senior program was able to continue having regular activities at Bay Oaks.</p> <p>Cost was \$65 per week per child for members \$75 per week per child for non members, or \$500 per child for the entire summer for members or \$550 for non members.</p> <p>Buses are rented for once a week trips. However the towns staff have made good use of the beach trolley, traveling to Bowditch Point and times square for various outings,</p> <p>All children in need were able to receive sponsorships to attend camp as the result of generous donations made by Fort Myers Beach residents, visitors, and businesses. The summer camp averaged 13 scholarships awarded per year.</p> <p>Summer Camp was able to participate in the free lunch program at the Beach Elementary School each day. On field trip days, the lunches were packed for camp to take with them.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Coordinator, seasonal FT lead Counselor, seasonal 4 FT Counselors.</p> <p>The recreation center remains open to the public during camp hours. There is no open basketball, however the weight room is open. The senior program continues having regular activities at Bay Oaks in the senior room.</p> <p>Cost was \$75 per week per child for members \$100 per week per child for non members, or if registered for the entire summer a \$20 discount per child.</p> <p>Buses are rented for certain trips. If the trip is located within 7 miles the staff utilizes town vans to eliminate the cost of the busing. In addition to trips summer camp also visits the pool twice a week and the beach or Matanzas pass preserve once a week.</p> <p>All children in need were able to receive either CDBG or internal sponsorships to attend camp. Scholarships are funded through donations and only used after the CDBG grant is used to the fullest. We average 25 scholarships and 11 CDBG grants per summer.</p> <p>Lee County School District offers a free lunch program that the summer camp is able to participate in allowing all campers a free lunch every day.</p>

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<p>Club Rec:</p> <p>An after school open recreation program provided for children in kindergarten through 5th grades (ages 5-10). While all children are welcome to attend, participants are typically Beach School students. Students are picked up by staff at the conclusion of school and the program runs until 6:00pm. A typical day includes structure activities, homework time , snack time , and a free time at the end of the day.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Youth Programmer, 2 PT Recreation Aides</p> <p>The program cost \$50 per semester per child.</p> <p>The Youth Programmer typically secured donated snacks for the children from Wake up America whenever possible.</p> <p>Program only allowed grades 2-5</p> <p>Children in need of financial assistance were able to receive sponsorships through the County with approved application.</p> <p>Program had between 8-12 participants with roughly 40% on scholarship.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Coordinantor, 2 PT Recreation Aides</p> <p>Club Rec cost \$75 per semester for members and \$100 per semester for nonmembers.</p> <p>Snacks are provided through donations from Wake up America each day. A staff member must pick up donations at Wake up America which was located on Victoria street in downtown Fort Myers.</p> <p>Program only allowed grades 2-5</p> <p>Children in need of financial assistance were able to receive sponsorships through donations through businesses, residents and a CDBG grant.</p> <p>Program had between 12-18 participants with roughly 60% on scholarship.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Coordinator, 3 PT Recreation Aides</p> <p>Club Rec cost \$100 per semester for members and \$125 per semester for nonmembers.</p> <p>Snacks are purchased by the Youth Programmer. Cost is \$800 per semester</p> <p>Program allows kindergarten through 5th grade</p> <p>Children in need of financial assistance are able to receive sponsorships through donations through businesses, residents and /or a CDBG grant.</p> <p>Program had between 55-65 participants with 11 on CDBG grants and an additional 24 on scholarship.</p>
<p>Fun Days:</p> <p>Days of planned programming for children ages 6 to 12 for weekdays during the school year when school is not in session (i.e. teacher in-service days). Fun Days run from 7:30am-6:00pm. Lunch is not provided.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> 2 PT Recreation Aides</p> <p>Offered less frequently by the county at the end of their operation of Bay Oaks due to the lack of children who attended.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Coordinantor, PT Recreation Aide</p> <p>Fun Days cost \$13 a day for members and \$18 a day for non members. Days are offered on interest and must have at least 10 children signed up for a fun day to be scheduled.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> 2 PT Recreation Aides</p> <p>Fun Days cost \$15 a day for members and \$20 a day for non members. Days are offered on all weekdays school is not in session.</p> <p>Average participants per fun days are 20-25</p> <p>Scholarships are not provided.</p>

Teen Programs

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<p>Teen Hours:</p> <p>The time at the Recreation Center reserved for teens ages 13-17 only.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> PT Recreation Aide</p> <p>At one time, the county had a robust and active Teen Program, but this program was mostly cut during the last few years.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> PT Coordinator</p> <p>The Town identified the teen program as a core program and made it a priority to rejuvenate the program.</p> <p>Friday and Saturday Nights from 6pm-11pm are dedicated Teen Hours and the facility is shut down to all non teens.</p> <p>During Teen Hours the facility would average 5-10 kids.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> PT Recreation Aide</p> <p>The Town identified the teen program as a core program and made it a priority to rejuvenate the program. On Teen Nights activities are not planned by staff, the time is just scheduled for open Teen Rec.</p> <p>Friday and Saturday Nights from 9pm-11pm are dedicated Teen Hours and the facility is shut down to all non teens.</p> <p>During Teen Hours the facility would average 10-20 kids.</p>
<p>Teen Trips:</p> <p>Teen Trips are special planned trips allowing the teens to go local trips like the movies, ice skating, Zoomers, batting cages, etc.. The teens also go on longer distance trips to sporting events and/or theme parks</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> 1 FT Recreation Coordinator</p> <p>Offered often by the county in the late 90's and early 2000's but the county stopped offering teen trips a few years prior to the towns transition.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> PT Coordinator,</p> <p>The teens take an average of one trip per month. Trips vary in destination and cost. Majority of the trip cost participants 50% of the cost of the trip with the other 50% coming from donations and/or fund raising efforts from the participants.</p> <p>Each trip would require a minimum of 5 participants and averaged 6 participants per trip.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Coordinator (teens and events)</p> <p>The teens take an average of two trips per month. Trips vary in destination and cost. Trips are 100% cost recovery. Scholarships are offered and funded through donations directly to the teen program.</p> <p>Each trip would require a minimum of 10 participants and average 12 participants per trip.</p>
<p>Teen Athletic Leagues:</p> <p>Teen athletic leagues are youth leagues designated for ages 13-17.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> N/A</p> <p>The county did not offer Teen Leagues.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> PT Coordinator (Athletic)</p> <p>The teen leagues were mixed in with the youth leagues allowing ages 13-15 to still play in all youth Leagues. Cost were \$25 members/ \$35 nonmembers.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Coordinator (teens and events)</p> <p>The teen leagues include Basketball and Flag Football. The basketball league is ran in conjunction with the YMCA teen basketball league and games are played at both locations. Flag Football is played on the Big Field at BORC.</p> <p>Cost for each league are \$25/members and \$35 nonmembers.</p>

Senior Programs

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<p>Bridge:</p> <p>Regular games of bridge scheduled throughout the week for various skill levels. Participants play at Chapel by the Sea in a partnership agreement. Participants donate money to a fund that is used for supplies and snacks.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Senior Coordinator</p> <p>Bridge games were staffed by the senior coordinator whom would sit in and play when a table was short. The coordinator was assisted by volunteers..</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> PT Coordinator (Seniors)</p> <p>Bridge was staffed by senior coordinator once a week with the other times using volunteers to staff bridge.</p> <p>Bridge averaged 60 players per session.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Coordinator</p> <p>Bridge is set up by senior coordinator 30 minutes prior to the start of bridge and break down at the conclusion of the day. Staff does not stay on site.</p> <p>Bridge averages 60 players per session.</p>
<p>Weekly Social Activities:</p> <p>Regularly scheduled games to promote social interaction among seniors. Participants make general donations to support purchases of supplies and snacks.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Senior Coordinator</p> <p>Included various card and domino games. All game days were staffed by the Senior Coordinator.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> PT Coordinator (Seniors)</p> <p>Includes card and domino games and Wii bowling. Game days are staffed by the assigned coordinator whenever possible.</p> <p>Average attendance was 8-15 seniors.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Coordinator</p> <p>Includes card and domino games and wii bowling. Game days are staffed by the assigned coordinator whenever possible.</p> <p>Average attendance is 4-8 seniors.</p>
<p>Theatre and Cultural Trips:</p> <p>Trips to local theatre, cultural, historic and artistic venues and events.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Senior Coordinator</p> <p>Participants paid a participation fee which includes the ticket price for admission or event.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> PT Coordinator (Seniors)</p> <p>Participants paid a participation fee which includes the ticket price for admission or event.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> PT Recreation aide</p> <p>Participants paid a participation fee. Every trip is 100% cost recovery.</p>
<p>Active Trips:</p> <p>Trips either kayaking or biking to various locations. Participants either bring their lunch or go to a predetermined restaurant and each participant pays for their own meal.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Senior Coordinator</p> <p>Kayaking and Biking were free under the county's senior program. Trips were offered twice a year.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> PT Coordinator (Seniors)</p> <p>Kayaking and Biking participants paid a nominal fee to offset fuel and staff costs.</p> <p>Biking cost: \$15 member/ \$20 nonmember</p> <p>Kayaking cost: \$20 member/ \$30 non-member</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Coordinator, PT Recreation Aide</p> <p>Kayaking and Biking participants paid a nominal fee to offset fuel and staff costs.</p> <p>Biking cost: \$20 member/ \$25 nonmember</p> <p>Kayaking cost: \$25 member/ \$35 non-member</p>

Athletic/Fitness Programs

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<p>Athletic Leagues:</p> <p>Leagues range from youth to adult offering a variety of sports. Leagues are only internal leagues and do not include FMBLL or Beach Soccer.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> FT Athletic Coordinator</p> <p>The county provided all league participants with shirts, trophies, and limited equipment.</p> <p>Youth Leagues include: Basketball and Flag Football</p> <p>Adult Leagues include: Softball</p> <p>No Information available on the cost.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> PT Coordinator (Athletics) and volunteers</p> <p>The town provided all league participants with shirts, trophies, and limited equipment.</p> <p>Youth Leagues include: Basketball and Flag Football</p> <p>Adult Leagues include: Softball, Basketball, Wiffleball, and dodgeball.</p> <p>Youth Leagues Cost \$25/ member and \$35 nonmember.</p> <p>Adult Leagues Cost: varies upon league Must be a minimum 150% cost recovery.</p>	<p><i>Staffing:</i> PT Coordinator (Athletics) and volunteers</p> <p>The town provides all league participants with shirts, trophies, and limited equipment.</p> <p>Youth Leagues include: Basketball and Flag Football</p> <p>Adult Leagues include: Softball, Basketball, Wiffleball, and various tournaments.</p> <p>Youth Leagues Cost \$25/ member and \$35 nonmember.</p> <p>Adult Leagues Cost: varies upon league Must be a minimum 200% cost recovery.</p>
<p>Fitness & Cultural Classes:</p> <p>Various classes held throughout the week for both members and nonmembers of Bay oaks.</p>	<p><i>Staffing: instructor led</i></p> <p>The county had a 80/20 split with the county retaining 20% of fees.</p> <p>Classes included: Zumba, aerobics, and Line Dancing.</p>	<p><i>Staffing: instructor led</i></p> <p>Bay Oaks had a 80/20 split for nonmembers with the town retaining 20% of fees, for members it was a 90/10 split with the town retaining 10%</p> <p>Classes included: Zumba, aerobics, line dancing. Karate, Acting, and Zumba gold</p>	<p><i>Staffing: instructor led</i></p> <p>Bay Oaks has a 75/25 split with the town retaining 25% of fees. Each class has a discounted member rate set by the Athletic Coordinator and the individual instructor.</p> <p>Classes include: Spinning, aerobics, line dancing, Senior fitness, body sculpt, yoga, pilates, senior dance, and personal training.</p>

Special Events

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<p>Community Events:</p> <p>Community events including holiday events are designed to bring the community together and are not necessarily designed to make a profit rather to provide a service to the community.</p>	<p><i>Lead Staffing: various leads depending on event.</i></p> <p>County events included Halloween Fright Night, Holiday Party, Valentines day Roller Dance, and the Health and Safety Fair.</p>	<p><i>Lead Staffing: PT Coordinator (Athletics),</i></p> <p>Town Events included Halloween Fright Night, Holiday Party, Valentines day Roller Dance, Health and Safety Fair, arts and Craft Fair, and the BORC BASH</p> <p>Cost varies upon events but is minimal and used to offset towns cost. Staff Generally runs a concession stand for a small profit.</p>	<p><i>Lead Staffing: FT Coordinator (teens and events)</i></p> <p>Town Events included Halloween Fright Night, Holiday Party,, Health and Safety Fair, Community Block Party, Easter Egg Dive, and the BORC BASH</p> <p>Cost varies upon events but is minimal and used to offset towns cost. Staff Generally runs a concession stand for a small profit.</p>
<p>Fund Raising Events:</p> <p>Special Events include all events that are designed with the sole purpose of making a profit.</p>	<p><i>Staffing: N/A</i></p> <p>The county did not run any for profit special events.</p>	<p><i>Staffing: PT Coordinator (athletics)</i></p> <p>The town ran one fundraising events with a poker run twice a year.</p>	<p><i>Lead Staffing: FT Coordinator (teens and events)</i></p> <p>The town is looking to expand fund raising events to one a month. Current fundraising events include the Craft beer festival, poker runs, and community yard sales.</p>
<p>Fireworks:</p> <p>This includes New Years Eve Fireworks and Forth Of July Fireworks</p>	<p><i>Staffing: N/A</i></p> <p>The county did not offer fireworks. Fireworks were done through community volunteers spearheaded by the Semmer Family.</p>	<p><i>Staffing: N/A</i></p> <p>The county did not offer fireworks. Fireworks were done through community volunteers spearheaded by the Semmer Family.</p>	<p><i>Staffing: Parks and Recreation Director , 4 FT Coordinators.</i></p> <p>The town took over these events NYE 2012-2013. These events take a lot of preparation done by both Parks and Recreation Staff and Public Works Staff.</p>